GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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EXPORT OF STEEL
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the names of countries to whom steel and steel items are being exported;

(b) the names of public as well as private sector steel companies, which are exporting the steel and steel items;

(c) whether several countries have levelled dumping charges on those items;

(d) if so, the names of such countries and upto what extent; and

(e) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN)

(a) The major markets for export of Indian steel and steel items have been Indonesia, Italy, Middle East, Nepal, Taiwan, USA, Belgium, Canada, Malaysia, Japan, Spain, Sri Lanka, Thailand and EU Member Countries.

(b) The major Indian exporters of steel and steel items are : Steel Authority of India, Tata Iron and Steel Co. Ltd., Essar Steel Ltd., Lloyds Steel Industries Ltd., ISPAT Industries and Jindal Iron and Steel Co..

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The details of the Anti-dumping duties levied by different countries against exports of steel and steel items during the last three calendar years are given below:

Country	Item	Year	Rate of Anti-dumping duty imposed on the Item
USA	Cut-to-length Carbon Steel Plate	1999	72.49%
Canada	1. Certain Stainless Steel Round Bar		
	2. Certain Hot-Rolled Carbon Steel Plate	1998	Duty Ranging from 18.8% to 52.4%
		2000	14.9%
South Africa	Paper insulated, lead covered cables	1999	Duty ranging from 2.14% to 34.7%
Indonesia	Steel Wire Rod	1998	23%
European Union	1. Stainless Steel Fastners and parts	1998	Duty ranging from 11.2% to 54%
	2. Steel Ropes and Cables	1999	Duty ranging from 23.8% to 30.8% (In view of the price undertaking given by the Indian exporter M/s Usha Martin Industries & Usha Beltron Ltd., the above mentioned duty not to be levied till the undertaking remain operative)
	3. Stainless Steel Wire with a diameter of 1mm or more	1999	Duty ranging from 1.2% to 35.8%
	4. Certain flat rolled product of iron or non-alloy steel.	2000	Duty ranging from 1.5% to 11.5%.
	5.Quarto Plates	2000	22.3% against all exporters from India. Since Steel Authority of India, the only exporter specifically

targeted, has given a price undertaking, this duty will not be collected against them till the undertaking remains operative.

(e) The Indian industry has been defending the Anti-dumping cases initiated against the import of steel and steel items with the active assistance and support of the Government.